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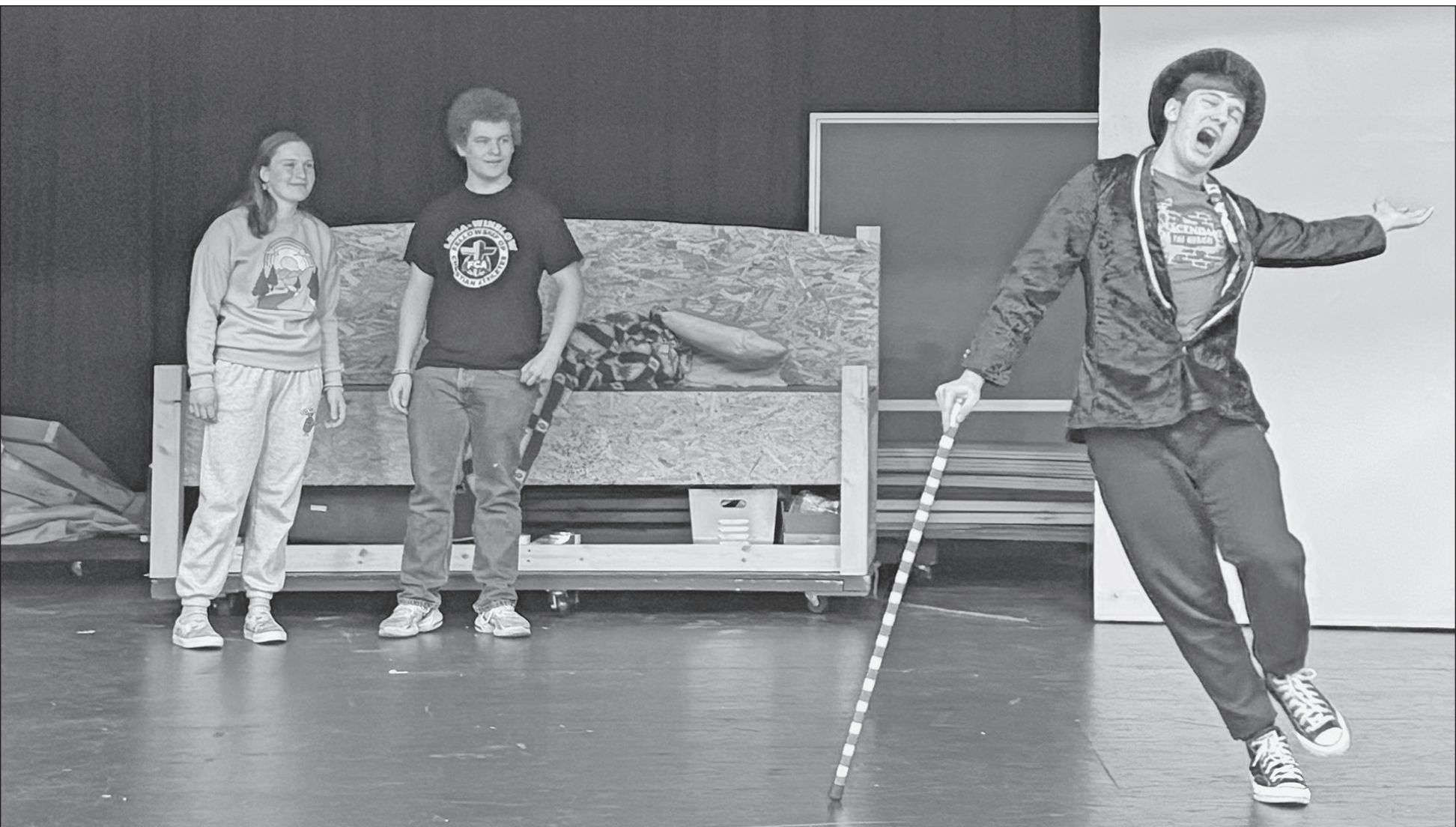
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Don't miss Lena-Winslow High School's presentation of *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* on Friday, March 28 and Saturday, March 29 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, March 30 at 2 p.m. "This show has been like a Golden Ticket inviting us to take the time to dream,

believe, and embrace the extraordinary parts of our lives, which is exactly what our cast and crew have been hard at work doing throughout the production process of this show," said Director Renee Schultz.

## Lena-Winslow to present *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*

Lena-Winslow High School will present Roald Dahl's *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* on Friday, March 28 and Saturday, March 29 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, March 30 at 2 p.m. This year, Le-Win's high school talent will join forces with

junior high and elementary students to bring this new show to life. This musical production offers a fresh take on the original story, based on the original novel by Roald Dahl.

The world-famous Willy Wonka, played by Ju-

nior Josiah Randecker, will open the gates to his mysterious factory to a lucky few. Young Charlie Bucket, played by Senior Hannah Pecoraro, and four other golden ticket winners will embark on a life-changing journey through Wonka's

world of pure imagination including chocolate waterfalls, nutty squirrels and the great glass elevator, all to be revealed by Wonka's army

of curious Oompa-Loompas. "We have some seasoned talent as well as a great number of younger students who are debuting on the stage.

Students as young as first grade make up the Oompa-Loompas, and they bring such joy and energy to the cast," said Schultz.

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# Obituaries

## HOWARD DOUBLER

Howard William Doubler age 76 of Warren passed away on Monday, March 17, 2025. He was born on April 5, 1948, in Freeport, IL to Irvin and Esther (Riemer) Doubler. He graduated in 1966 from Warren High School. Howard then went on to an automotive school in Chicago. Howard worked at Atwoods in Stockton, IL, and for a brief period he left and drove a logging truck before returning to Atwood, also known as Excel and Dura, for over 40 years. He ended his career as a Journeyman/Mechanic. He married Donna Meier on Aug. 7, 1976, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Warren, IL.

Howard loved to have a garden where he would plant potatoes on Good Friday. He helped with canning and freezing. Howard has special recipes like Firehouse Chili, Brats and Sauerkraut, and beef stew. Howard was a member



of the Warren Fire Department for 40+ years. Member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church where he served on council and as president. He loved going to car shows. He was very proud of his 36 Ford pick-up, 41 Plymouth, 79 Corvette, and his Chevy Silverado. He loved coaching his girls' softball teams with Art Rendon. Howard also has owned many rental properties throughout his life. He started tiling gardens in partnership with his brother Donnie and he went on to start Doubler Lawn Care where he offered garden tiling, mowing, and snow removal for several locals. Last year Howard was diagnosed with cancer, and his son Brice started running the business with Howard doing what he

could. Howard enjoyed many hobbies as well. He would build and drive racing lawnmowers with Shawn, Brice, Brad, Brianna, Braxten, and Hayden, which would become Doubler Motorsports. He would go deer hunting with his boys and his nephews, Troy and Tracy. They would build hunting shacks and get in a little camping and fishing as well. Howard loved riding the trails with the ATV and UTV's. He would also use the UTV for the hunting crew. He enjoyed attending his children's and grandchildren's sporting events.

Howard is survived by Donna, his wife of 48 years; children- Stacy (Bradley) Anderson of Warren, IL, Lindsay (Jerry) Kent of Apple River, IL, Shawn (Emily) Doubler of Waukesha, WI, Brice (Catharyne) Doubler of Warren, IL; grandchildren- Brianna Anderson, Cameron (Ried Raisbeck) Kent, Braxten Kent,

Hayden (Izzy Haring) Anderson, Zachary Doubler, Evelyn Doubler, Eleanor Doubler, Avery Doubler, and Michael Doubler; sister-in-law Carolyn Doubler; and several brother-in-laws and sister-in-laws as well as several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by parents; siblings- Donald Doubler, Carol Swearingen, Helen Doubler; father and mother-in-law Ruth (Clarence) Meier; grandchildren- Madelyn Doubler, and angel baby Doubler.

A visitation took place on Friday, March 21, 2025, at the Bartell-Leamon Funeral Home in Warren, IL. The funeral service took place at on Saturday, March 22, 2025, at St. Pauls Lutheran Church in Warren, IL. Burial took place at Elmwood Cemetery in Warren, IL. Matt Smith officiated the services. A memorial has been established in his memory. Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.leamonfh.com](http://www.leamonfh.com).

## JACK E. REEL

Jack E. Reel, 79, of Lena passed away on Tuesday, March 18, 2025, at the SSM Health Center in Monroe, losing a years' long battle with the progressive effects of a home explosion in 2007. He was born to Elmer and Lucile (Blake) Reel on March 13, 1946, in Freeport, IL. He took over the family farming operation at the age of 16, follow-

ing the death of his father, and graduated from Lena-Winslow High School in 1965. Jack lettered in three sports and was proud that his track relay team qualified for state his senior year, with a record that stood until 1992. On November 25, 1972, he married Jeannie Crain, and together they raised three children: Tina, Jen and Tim.

Jack played softball for

years, was a member of the Lena Lions, and coached the girls youth softball team. He was an avid Bears, Cubs and Illini fan. After farming, he worked at Dean Foods in Belvidere until the home accident forced him into an early retirement. During his years of recovery, his best buddy became a rescue cat, Bud. This from a man adamant about not having animals in the house! But those who knew Jack knew he was like a good cookie - a little crispy on the outside, but soft on the inside.

He is survived by his wife Jeannie; three children, Tina Brinkmeier (Brad Scheider), Jen Reel (Chris McMillan), and Tim Reel (Tami Bidlingmaier); three grandchildren, Jeff Cheeney, Tamra (Jason) Brown, and Caleb Cheeney; five great-grandchildren, Alyssa Brown (Brian Dorsey),

Carter Brown, Willow Brown, Braelyn Cheeney and Brinley Cheeney; one great-great grandchild, Wesley Charles Dorsey; sister, Teresa Reel; aunt, Pat Reel; as well as numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Mary Price on February 17, 2025; his father and mother-in-law, John and Maylene Crain; his brother-in-law Ed Crain, and his cat Bud. Cremation rites have been accorded.

Per Jack's wishes there will be no services at this time. The family is requesting if you wish to do a memorial please consider donating to the Friends Forever Humane Society in Freeport, IL, Green County Humane Society in Monroe, WI, or to your favorite charity. Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.leamonfh.com](http://www.leamonfh.com).

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Davis's easy-listening solo acoustic shows provide an enjoyable, relaxing, and fun atmosphere that anyone will appreciate. Her shows con-

sist of current hits and music from the past five decades including classic rock, pop and a little bit of country. She features hits from a wide array of artists such as James Taylor, Carly Simon, The Eagles, Simon and Garfunkel, John Denver, Taylor Swift, Jackson Browne, Elton John, REO Speedwagon, Tom Petty, and many more. Meghan enjoys communicating with her audiences through her charismatic personality and arguably hilarious dad jokes. Admission is free, but a collection for future concerts will be taken.

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### Gracie Allen and Bindi Boop celebrate their awards.



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### Discovery Degree recipients Christian Morhardt (STAR Discovery award), Sam Cobine, Damian Ware and Justice Easter.



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### Lily Lucas, Jason Lucas and Wyatt Lehman all received Chapter or Greenhand Degrees.

## News briefs

### Orangeville High School fundraiser

On April 5, 2025, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., Orangeville students will host a soup and sandwich fundraiser to raise money to attend the Royal Highland Show in Europe. Donations will offer financial support to Ashlynn Shultz, Amery Dinderman, and Alaina Dinderman.

### Easter Egg Hunt

The Lena Park District will host two Easter Egg Hunts on April 12 at Lions Park. Ages 2 to 10 are welcome to attend the event at 5 p.m. Ages 11 to 23 are welcome to attend for flashlight hunt at 7:30 p.m. Both events are free.

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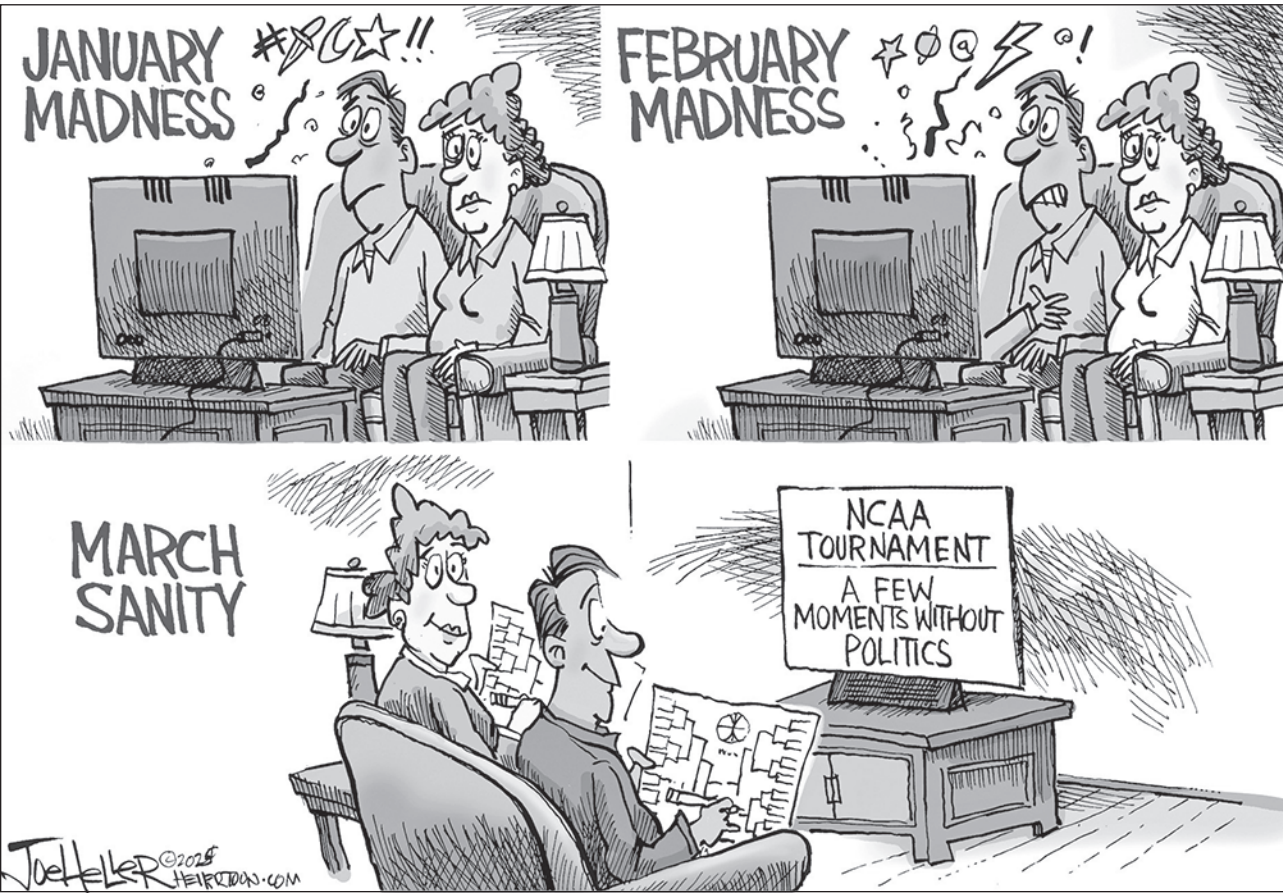
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# OPINION



## Slices of life

# The opposite of a word-thrill ride



By **JILL PERTLER**  
Columnist

Ready for some fun? I'm not talking about fun in an exciting roller coaster sort of way. That type of fun is always fun, but fun can be all sorts of amusement park rides.

Some are like roller coasters—fast, thrilling and take-your-breath-away.

But that isn't the only type of enjoyment to be found at an amusement park. Sometimes happiness is uplifting like the ferris wheel, or well-rounded like a carousel. Sometimes it is unexpected like bumper cars, or refreshing like the flume on a really hot day.

And sometimes, fun is simply hurkle-durkle.

You read that right, and I'd be lying if I didn't say that typing out hurkle-durkle wasn't fun. Because it was. Saying it out loud is even more fun, if you can imagine that. I'll pause here while you try it yourself.

See what I mean? Words like hurkle-durkle make my day. As does conundrum.

Superfluous. Catywampus. Tintinnabulation. Kerfluffle. Pulchritudinous. Gobbledygook. Whackadoodle. And squishy. (Mustn't ever forget squishy.)

Why? Because it, like all the others, is quite simply fun.

And, while fun often happens at amusement parks, hurkle-durkle does not. It's a bit of a conundrum.

I'll attempt a simple explanation—nothing superfluous or filled with a bunch of gobbledygook.

First a clue: After a day of keruffles with a bunch of squishy whackadoodle types, you typically long for nothing more than hurkle-durkle.

But now I've made the definition obvious.

In some ways hurkle-durkle is one of the most beautiful—not to mention pulchritudinous words and

ideas a philosophies ever uttered out loud. It's akin to tintinnabulation for the soul. For sure it is, to me. Nothing catywampus about that.

Let's cut to the chase: Hurkle-durkle is a 200-year-old Scottish term meaning to linger under the covers of a warm bed long after it's time to get up.

Can you imagine anything better? Doesn't hurkle-durkle sound wonderfully and incredibly indulgent—without any calories?

I think so, too.

We all need a hurdle-durkle every now and then—and probably more often than that.

Beyond the compound word that it is, we need the concept of hurkle-durkle in our lives. We all need permission to commit hurkle-durkle—in whatever shape, space or time that means for us.

Sometimes hurdle-durkle might be lying under the soft warm covers. But maybe it means other things, too. Maybe it's stopping whatever you're doing, in the middle of the afternoon, when your favorite song comes on the radio. Maybe it's taking a hurkle-durkle day off from work after an extra long week. Maybe it's reading a long book over a long weekend while hurkle-durkling on the couch.

We could all benefit from some hurkle-durkling in our near future.

Word can be fun—exciting, even.

But they can also be hurkle-durkle. I realize I am

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## Weekly connection

# The smells of the seasons

Ever wonder how things we smell can trigger up all kinds of memories and feelings? For instance, growing up I remember the specific smell of my Grandparent's house. I'm not sure what it was that gave the house its distinctive fragrance, but it had a wonderful warm and inviting aroma. It could have been the smell of Grampa's coat and boots that were in the mud room or maybe it was Grandma's cooking that wafted through the air, but



By **SCOTT CERNEK**  
Columnist

whatever the mix, it was nice. Now, as I get older, I've noticed that my own parent's house seems to have that same sweet smell of yesteryear. As soon as I walk in the door it takes me back to my own childhood.

Years ago, when I was away at college in Indiana, I missed home so much that I actually took an unwashed shirt that I had worn in the barn back to my dorm room and kept it in a paper bag in my closet. When I got to missing the farm (which was daily) I would take that bag out, unroll the top and let the fragrances of home drift out. In my mind, I was with my family, the cows and not eight hours away in a dorm room. Believe it or not it helped immensely. I was careful to wrap the bag up tightly in order to save some of the smells of home for the next day.

The seasons too are distinctive in their smells. Have you noticed when the

farmers are working up the soil in the spring the rich earthy smell of black dirt that floats through the air? The smell of dirt is a wonderful thing, especially for those of us who grew up on the farm. My brothers and I used to ride on the back of the grain drill when my Dad was seeding oats and alfalfa. There was a bench that ran along the back of the drill behind the seed bin, and we sat on it letting our bare feet drag in the freshly turned soil. Once in a while we would even hang off the back of the drill by our hands and arms, and let our legs drag in the soft soil, then we would slip off the back and race in a

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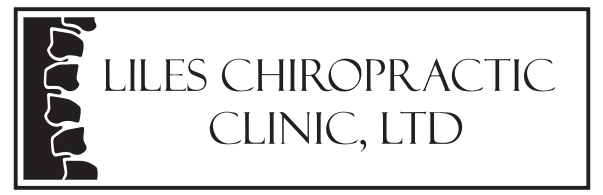
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# Stockton-Warren opens 2025 softball season with thrilling victory

By Trenten Scheidegger  
CORRESPONDENT

The Stockton-Warren Warhawks got their 2025 softball season started with a bang when they faced off with the Jefferson J Hawks on March 17. You couldn't ask for a better season opener as it came down to the wire. Not only was it an

exciting game, but the Warhawks picked up a win in their season opener.

Stockton-Warren, who went just 5-14 last season, is already 20-percent of the way to tying that mark this season. It was an important sign of improvement in head coach Joel Fonseca's second season leading the program.

After just five wins last year, Fonseca returns for year two with a more experienced squad. With experience comes learning how to win, and the Warhawks found a way to win an ugly one in the season opener. Both teams combined for eight errors as the gloves had to shake off some rust.

The Warhawks didn't have any trouble getting their offense going. In the very first inning, Stockton-Warren took a 1-0 lead when Maizy Fonseca scored on an Adriane Baker groundout. They added to their lead in the second inning. Shortly after Emma Janecke reached on a single up the middle, she would attempt to steal third. An errant throw would allow Janecke to score, putting the Warhawks up 2-0.

Stockton-Warren blew the game wide open in the fourth. With ducks on the

pond, Payton Goswick roped a double to center field. That allowed Sadie Johnson to score, putting the Warhawks up 5-0. A big reason for the early advantage was the pitching of Madalynn Perry. After three innings, Perry had allowed just three hits, while striking out four. In the fourth inning, Perry got out of trouble. With two outs and the bases loaded, Perry got a groundball out to keep the shutout alive.

Eventually, Jefferson was going to crack the scorebook. Eventually came in the top of the fifth, when the J Hawks opened the inning with back-to-back home runs to open the inning. Jefferson scored three runs in total in the inning, bringing them right back into the game.

The Warhawks got one of those runs back in the bottom half. After taking a walk, Baker would quickly steal second, and then third.

Ireland Mensendike brought her home as a ground out to shortstop allowed Baker to score. After five innings of play, Stockton-Warren was up 6-3.

Jefferson had found their rhythm at that point. They continued to have hot bats in the sixth as a pair of singles brought in two more runs. Not only did they bring themselves within one, but they managed to keep the Warhawks off the board in the bottom half. That was just one of two half innings where the Warhawks went scoreless on the day.

By the top of the seventh, the momentum had completely flipped. Not only did the J Hawks tie the game, but a double and three walks allowed them to take their first lead of the day. Heading into the bottom of the seventh, the Warhawks were trailing 6-8.

This was a position the

Warhawks were in many times last season. They suffered four losses by two runs, or less. That is the difference between going 5-14 or 9-10 and being around five hundred. That's exactly what Joel's goal is for this year's team, to compete and get their record over five hundred.

The Warhawks took a step in the right direction when they woke their bats up for an epic victory in the bottom of the eighth. After a quick strike out, the Warhawks were down to their final two outs. Maizy provided some hope when she ripped a double up the middle, bringing in Carissa Hinderman to score. With two outs, trailing by one, Mensendike stepped up to the plate. After taking the first pitch, Mensendike crushed a two-run walk off home run

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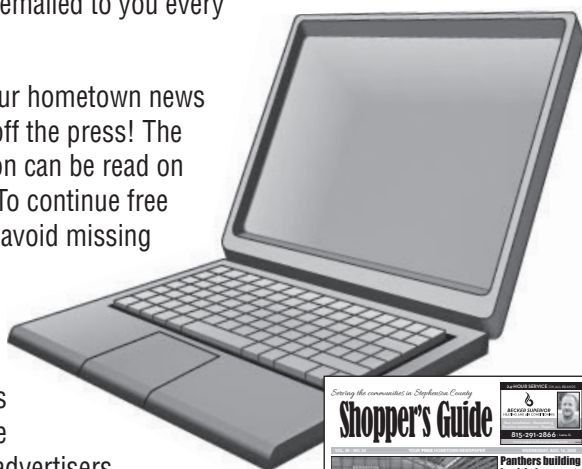
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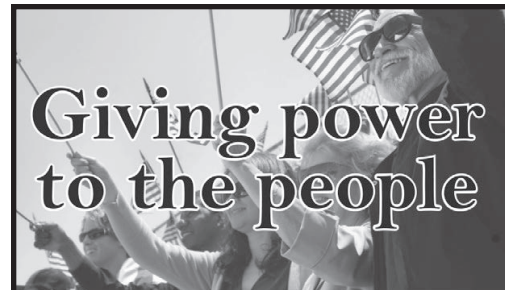
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# Orangeville Broncos off to 3-1 start in 2025 softball season

By Trenten Scheidegger  
CORRESPONDENT

The Orangeville Broncos looked like a well-oiled machine when they stepped onto the softball field for the first time in 2025. Head coach, Lon Scheuerell, was entering his 24<sup>th</sup> season at the helm of the program. Orangeville was coming off a season in which they finished 22-8 overall, including winning a Regional Championship. Despite losing six seniors, including two All-State players in Megan Holder and Meghan Carlisle, the Broncos were as dominant as ever in the 2025 season opener.

A big reason for the hot start was because Orangeville still returns plenty of talent to their roster. Senior pitcher-second baseman, Addyson Wheeler, and junior first base-outfielder, Anicka Kraft, are both back after earning All-Conference selections last year. Wheeler was a First Team All-Conference and a Third Team All-State selection in 2024. Kraft has earned Second Team All-Conference in back-to-back seasons. Those two alone give Orangeville two stars to build around, and those stars have shined brightly early in 2025.

On March 17 the Broncos played their home open-

er against the West Carroll Thunder. Orangeville won by a score of 14-4, led by Wheeler's quick start. Wheeler, who is committed to continuing her softball career at Wisconsin Lutheran College, rattled off a pair of hits in the opener. She drove in two runs, while scoring a pair of runs herself. She also got the win from the pitcher's circle. In four innings, Wheeler struck out three, while allowing two earned runs off two hits.

Junior center fielder, Jada Reed, had an excellent season opener as well. Reed went two for three with two runs scored and one RBI as she helped the Broncos start 1-0. Reed stepped into the centerfield role after Kraft made the move to first base. Kraft played first in travel ball, so the transition worked out well for the Bronco defense. Reed's speed in the outfield is one of the team's strengths, Scheuerell says. "One strength that we will be counting on is our team speed. We will have a fast team throughout the lineup, including Jada Reed, who will be the lone slap hitter in the lineup," Scheuerell shared.

Kraft, who hit seven homeruns in her first two seasons, is also expected to be a

major part of the offense this year. After having one hit in the opener, Kraft broke onto the scene with three hits in game two. Kraft went three for five with three runs scored and five RBI.

The Broncos needed every bit of Kraft's help as they found themselves in a shootout with Milledgeville. Thanks to a five-run sixth inning, the Broncos managed to hold on for a 17-15 victory over Milledgeville. Both offenses were firing as the teams combined for 35 hits in the epic showdown.

Sophomore third baseman-catcher, Abigail Hazzard, had an excellent performance against Milledgeville.

Hazzard went three for five with five RBI and two runs scored. That includes a double and a home run as Hazzard was a tough out. Junior designated player-outfielder, Lily Rodebaugh, racked up three hits, three RBI, and two runs scored of her own.

Prior to the season, Scheuerell shared some of his thoughts on the upcoming campaign. When asked what challenges the team would face this season, Scheuerell mentioned the need for some new faces to step up. The Broncos had some big shoes to fill. "We lost six seniors from last year, so there will be a lot of new faces on the field. Our success will de-

pend heavily on how quickly these players adjust to playing at the varsity level," Scheuerell shared.

Hazzard was one of many underclassmen who Scheuerell specifically mentioned would need to contribute early on. Sophomore shortstop, Kylie Blakely, and junior second baseman, Aubrey Fryer, were two others. Fryer had two hits in the game against Milledgeville.

Another name that Scheuerell mentioned was freshman Jillian Carlisle, the younger sister of Meghan Carlisle. Yes, the Broncos have another Carlisle, and it looks like she is already on pace to be the next softball

star. At the time, Scheuerell said, "Freshman, Jillian Carlisle may also see significant playing time in the field." That was just five days before Carlisle put up a three for five stat line in a varsity game where she scored three runs. In fact, the freshman would tally hits in each of her first three games of the season, before going hitless in a game against Winnebago.

That game wound up being the first loss of the season for Orangeville, as they fell by a score of 8-11. Orangeville doesn't return home until April 3 when they play host to the Pecatonica Indians. That game is scheduled to begin at 4:30 p.m.

# Lena-Winslow battles through 2025 softball season openers

By Trenten Scheidegger  
CORRESPONDENT

The Lena-Winslow Panther softball program entered a new era this year with new head coach, Joel Wild, taking the helm. The Panthers and Wild didn't get much time to settle in, as they faced off with two good teams in Erie-Prophetstown and Winnebago to open the 2025 season.

The 2025 Panthers returned to the field as a team that has lost back-to-back Regional Championships. Last year, the Panthers went 12-12 overall, but they lost seven players from that roster, including four starters. In addition to switching head coaches, it's understandable that it

could take some time for the 2025 Panthers to develop.

There is no shortage of softball talent on the field. Senior outfielder-pitcher, Rachael Setterstrom, is back after earning First Team All-Conference and First Team All-State selections last year. Senior pitcher-utility, Maddy Chiles, is back after earning a First Team All-Conference selection of her own. Three other seniors returned to the starting lineup in catcher Shayleigh Albright, second baseman Chloe Wild, and utility Eden Dietz. Additionally, the Panthers have sophomore shortstop Brianna Fye back.

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# FROM LENA'S KITCHEN



The not so skinny cook

The first day of Spring was interesting. It was cold, windy, and snowy. It will get warmer. We are thinking Spring this week with some spring recipes. Have a great week cooking.

and onion and stir until tender, 4 to 6 minutes. Cut each biscuit into 8 pieces, and place in a greased 9x13 baking dish. Top with mushroom mixture. Cook broccoli with cheese sauce according to package directions. Spoon over mushroom mixture. In a large bowl, whisk the eggs, milk and seasonings. Pour over the top. Sprinkle with cheese and bake until golden brown, 25 to 30 minutes.

## Greek Spaghetti with Chicken

This main course dinner has the vegetable and the meat along with the starch. You can use rotisserie chicken or canned chicken for an easy prep.

1 pkg. (16 oz.) spaghetti broken into 2-inch pieces

3 C. cubed cooked chicken breast

2 pkg. (10 oz. each) frozen chopped spinach, thawed and squeezed dry

2 Cans cream of chicken soup

1 C. mayonnaise

1 C. sour cream

3 celery ribs, chopped

1 small onion, chopped

1/2 C. chopped green pepper

1 jar (2 oz.) diced pimentos, drained

1/2 t. lemon pepper seasoning

1 C. shredded Monterey Jack cheese

1/2 C. breadcrumbs

1/2 C. shredded Parmesan cheese

Cook spaghetti according to package directions; drain. Return spaghetti to saucepan. Stir in chicken, spinach, soup, mayo, sour cream, celery, onion, green pepper, pimentos and lemon pepper. Transfer to a greased 9x13 pan that has been sprayed with cooking spray. Top with Monterey Jack cheese. Spread breadcrumbs and Parmesan cheese over mixture. Bake uncovered in a 350 oven for 25 to 30 minutes until heated through.

**Salad:** In a large bowl, toss together the snap peas, onions, cucumber and cabbage. Add the dressing and toss to coat well. Season with more salt if needed.

## Seafood Casserole

Our Lenten entrée this week combines rice with seafood. You could substitute the imitation crab for the frozen or canned crab if you want. This creamy casserole will be great with a salad and crusty bread.

1 pkg. (16 oz.) long grain and wild rice

1 lb. frozen crabmeat thawed or 2 1/2 C. canned lump crabmeat, drained

1 lb. cooked shrimp, peeled, deveined and cut into 1/2 inch pieces

2 celery ribs, chopped

1 medium onion, finely chopped

1/2 C. finely chopped green pepper

1 can (14 oz.) mushroom

stems and pieces, drained

1 jar (2 oz.) pimentos, drained

1 C. mayonnaise

1 C. 2% milk

1/2 t. pepper

Dash Worcestershire sauce

1/4 C. breadcrumbs

Preheat oven to 375. Cook the rice according to package directions. In a large bowl, combine the crab, shrimp, celery, onion, green pepper, mushrooms and pimentos. In a small bowl, whisk the mayo and, milk, pepper and Worcestershire sauce; stir into seafood mixture. Stir in rice.

Transfer to a greased 9x13 greased baking dish. Sprinkle with breadcrumbs. Bake, uncovered until bubbly, 40 to 50 minutes.

## Strawberry Cheesecake Bars

These spring bars would be great for Easter. They do take a little time for preparation. Using the vanilla crème sandwich Oreos is a great way to make the crust.

1 lb. strawberries, hulled and halved

1/2 C. sugar

1 T. Freshly squeezed lemon juice

1 t. vanilla

1 T. cornstarch

**Crust**  
40 vanilla crème sandwich cookies

6 T. salted butter melted

**Filling**

2 pkg. (8 oz. each) cream cheese, softened

2/3 C. sugar

1 T. flour

1/2 t. vanilla

1/2 t. lemon zest

1/4 t. salt

1/2 C. sour cream, room temperature

5 or 6 drops red food coloring

**Strawberry Swirl:** In a small saucepan, combine the strawberries, sugar, lemon juice, and vanilla over medium high heat. Bring to a gentle boil, stirring often, and cook until the strawberries are very soft, about 5 minutes. Remove from the heat and use a potato masher to mash the berries into a pulp. Pour the mixture into a fine mesh strainer over a bowl, then use a spoon to vigorously stir until most of the liquid has been forced through. Discard the remaining fruit pulp. Carefully skim as much of the foam off the top of the sauce. Return the sauce to the pan. In a small bowl, combine the cornstarch with 2 T. of water. Pour mixture into the strawberry mixture and with a whisk cook until thickened.

Processes the sandwich cookies in a food processor until finely crushed. Add the melted butter and pulse to combine. Preheat oven to 325. Spray a 9x13 pan with cooking

spray; line it with parchment paper and spray again. Press the cookie mixture into the bottom of the parchment-lined pan. Bake until fragrant and dry to the touch, 10 to 12 minutes.

**Filling:** In the bowl of a mixer fitted with the paddle, beat the cream cheese, sugar, flour, vanilla, lemon zest, and salt on medium speed until smooth, 2 to 3 minutes.

Scrape the bottom and sides of the bowl. Beat in sour cream until well combined. Beat in the eggs, 1 at a time, just until combined, scraping the bottom and sides of the bowl as needed. Beat in 5 or 6 drops of red food coloring until desired pink is achieved. Pour mixture into the prepared pan, spreading it evenly with a spatula. Bake the cheesecake to thicken the filling. Remove to a wire rack.

Spoon small dollops of the cooled strawberry mixture over the top of the cream cheese filling; use a toothpick to swirl the strawberry mixture throughout the cheesecake mixture. Bake the cheesecake until just set in the center 35 to 40 minutes. Cool the cheesecake to room temperature for at least 2 hours or overnight.

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## LEGAL NOTICES

### ANNUAL TOWN MEETING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

To the legal residents of the Town of West Point in the County of Stephenson and State of Illinois, that the ANNUAL MEETING of said Town will take place on TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2025 being the second Tuesday of said month. The Town Meeting for the transaction of miscellaneous business of said Town will be held at the hour of 6:30 o'clock P.M. on said day at West Point Township Building, 6890 N. Five Corners Rd., Lena, and a Moderator having been elected, will proceed to hear and consider reports of officers, and decide on such measures as may, in pursuance of law, come before the meeting.

- AGENDA:**
1. Call to order
  2. Election of Moderator
  3. Minutes of 2023 Annual Meeting
  4. Annual Financial Reports
  5. Authorize Transfer of Funds
  6. Resolution opposing township consolidation
  7. Donations
  8. Open Forum
  9. Adjournment
- Dated at Lena, this 20th day of March, 2025.

**BILL STATON**  
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### Temporary Student Records and Special Education Files Classes of 2019 & 2020

In accordance with FERPA rules, Stockton Community Unit School District #206 Records and Special Education Programs will destroy all temporary student records and special education records for students who graduated or attended with the Class of 2019 or the Class of 2020. These records may be needed for social security benefit applications or other purposes. Stockton School District will provide an opportunity for former students or legal guardians to retrieve these records from May 1, 2025 to May 30, 2025. With proof of identity, the parent, guardian, or adult student may request student files between the hours of 8:00 AM and 3:30 PM at:

Stockton High School  
540 North Rush Street  
Stockton, Illinois 61085

If you would like to claim these records or have questions, please contact Sharon Malone at (815) 947-3323 to request an appointment.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

Stockton Community Unit School District #206 will have three vacant seats on its Board of Education following the April election. The seats may be filled by a resident of the Stockton School District.

Procedure to fill vacancy:

1. Send letter of interest and any relevant credentials to: Superintendent James Bunting, Stockton CUSD #206, 540 North Rush Street, Stockton, Illinois 61085 by Monday, March 31, 2025.

2. The Board will interview prospective candidates on the evening of Tuesday, April 22, 2024.

*Prospective candidates can call James Bunting at 815-947-3391 or email [jamesbunting@stocktonschools.com](mailto:jamesbunting@stocktonschools.com) with questions*

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### PUBLIC NOTICE OF RECORDS DESTRUCTION

Stockton CUSD #206



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estimated delivery of May 7 just in time for Mother's Day. To make this program even sweeter all proceeds from this order will be donated to the Stephenson County Farm Bureau Foundation to fund Agriculture in the Classroom and scholarships. Order forms are available on our website [www.stephensoncfb.org](http://www.stephensoncfb.org) or by calling 815-232-3186.

## Trip Spotlight Cubs Reverse Brewers Bus Trip:

Stephenson County Farm Bureau has a limited number of spots left for our Sunday, May 4 bus trip to the Brewers stadium to watch the Cubs and Brewers face off. To learn more about this trip visit [www.stephensoncfb.org](http://www.stephensoncfb.org) under the "upcoming trips" tab. Or call 815-232-3186.

## Stephenson County Farm Bureau Scholarships due Friday, April 4

Stephenson County Farm Bureau offers scholarship for high school seniors graduat-

ing this spring who plan to study agriculture next fall. Additionally, the foundation offers scholarships for current students studying but agriculture and non-agriculture related fields. To apply visit our website [www.stephensoncfb.org](http://www.stephensoncfb.org) under the "news" tab and use the scholarship link. This application can be completed online. If you have questions, please call our office at 815-232-3186 or email manager@stephensoncfb.org.

## Illinois Farm Bureau awards more than \$100,000 in rural development grants to local projects

In an effort to elevate rural communities, Illinois Farm Bureau partnered with county Farm Bureaus (CFBs) to award 23 Rural Development Grants totaling \$105,000 to support local projects across the state. Of the grants awarded, eight are fulfilling rural emergency services needs and 15 are

projects focused on economic or community development.

"Illinois Farm Bureau is proud to collaborate with county Farm Bureaus to support these outstanding projects that will ultimately elevate the quality of life for those living in these communities," said Ryan Tate, IFB associate director of local government. "We are excited to see the long-term impact of these grants in the years ahead."

The Rural Development Grant Program provides resources, tools and support to help local communities and counties overcome challenges inherent in rural development projects, such as lack of funding and volunteers, complicated grant applications and others. In selecting grants, IFB searches for projects that will meet a need in a community, county or rural area and get residents excited about what is happening in their community.

## Grant recipients this year are

Xenia Fire Protection District, through Clay CFB, received a grant to purchase a cut off saw kit that will be used for rescues in which firefighters need to cut through metal buildings or objects, such as machine sheds, grain bins or metal roofs.

Greenup Fire Protection District, through Cumberland CFB, received funding to install IV pumps for fluid and medication administration in two ambulances, which could make a difference in patient outcomes during the 25-30-minute drive to local hospitals.

Edwards CFB received a grant to purchase enhanced radio equipment for the Albion Rural Fire Department.

Nauvoo Police Department, through Hancock CFBs, received funding for new portable radios.

Williamsfield Fire Protection District (WFPD), through Knox CFB, received a grant for multi-band radio upgrades to streamline communication between WFPD in Knox County and 911 dispatch as well as other fire departments in Peoria County.

Alhambra Community Fire Protection District, through Madison CFB, received funding for a new rural fire district address sign program that will provide identifying address signage that will allow for easier access and quicker response times in case of fire or emergencies.

Mt. Hope-Funks Grove Fire Protection District, through McLean CFB, received a grant for a QTAC trailer for their firefighting rescue skid unit.

Montgomery County Emergency Management Agency, through Montgomery CFB, received a grant for communication upgrades to ensure emergency responders maintain consistent communication across long distances.

Bureau County 4-H Clubs, through Bureau CFB, received a grant for the Bureau

County IL 4-H Clubs, Inc.'s food stand repairs and equipment replacement.

Douglas County Economic Development Corporation, through Douglas CFB, received a grant for Placer.ai Software, which will be used as an economic development tool to attract new businesses, help existing businesses retain market share and create targeted marketing campaigns.

Franklin CFB received a grant for its Farm Emergency Plan, a collaboration with local fire chiefs to help with emergency responses at area farms.

Sycamore Acres, through Fulton CFB, received funding to create a one-acre u-pick flower, vegetable and pumpkin patch, as well as two mobile farm stand booths to serve as small business incubators.

Boyd Healthcare Services, through Greene CFB, received a grant to support the building of a new rural health clinic to provide healthcare and on-site emergency service to northern Greene County.

Warsaw Mercantile, through Hancock CFB, received funding to purchase equipment for their indoor farmers market to better provide the area with access to healthy, locally produced foods.

Jo Daviess Local Foods, through Jo Daviess CFB, received a grant to expand its operations by covering the cost of cold storage, including a display cooler and freezer, for the local food hub.

City of Mendota, through LaSalle CFB, received funding to support the Work Well Mendota project, which will provide a low-cost service for individuals and businesses to receive support to develop business plans, create marketing plans, create succession plans and network with other businesses county-wide to establish and sustain business in the region.

North Central Regional Betterment Coalition, through LaSalle CFB, received a grant to launch a Dolly Parton

Imagination Library in three counties.

Boys and Girls Club of Livingston County, through Livingston CFB, received funding for the Intergenerational Boys & Girls Club of Livingston County project, which seeks to build a new intergenerational community center that will focus on the needs of all residents with an emphasis on children and older adults.

Massac County Youth Fair and Community Center, through Massac CFB, received a grant to support renovations to the Massac County Community Center Building.

West Prairie Water Cooperative, through McDonough CFB, received funding for engineering fees for construction of a second water tower.

Greenview Civic Improvement Association, through Menard CFB, received a grant to help replace the HVAC units in the Greenview Community building.

Mercer County Better Together, through Mercer CFB, received funding for Project Flourish: Building Local Producer Capacity Through a Collaborative Approach, to purchase cold storage for the public-facing retail component of the project.

Baby Sarah's Playground Planning Committee, through Perry CFB, received a grant to build an inclusive, handi-cap-accessible play area.

## Victory

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over the center field fence to secure a 9-8 victory in the season opener.

After getting an early season win, the Warhawks had to wait some time to return to action. Weather caused some schedule changes, forcing Stockton-Warren to go more than a week without playing another game. They are scheduled to return home on March 26 to play host to the Pecatonica Indians. That game is set to begin at 4:30 p.m.

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# Flawed research leads to concern about community water fluoridation

Thanks to several recent publications based on a seriously flawed research study, there is a growing concern about the effects of community water fluoridation on children's IQ. I hope that by exposing these flaws, I can help our community to understand why this fear is completely unwarranted.



By **DR. STEPHEN PETRAS**  
Illinois Licensed General Dentist

To begin, the recently published article that claims there is a negative association between high levels of fluoride and IQ levels were based on research studies that were conducted in countries who had much higher (2-3 times) naturally occurring fluoride levels and unknown contaminants in their water. Community water in the U.S. is kept free of contaminants through a multi-step process at water treatment plants and the amount of fluoride that is added to the water (0.7mg/L) has been proven to be beneficial and safe for the public.

failed, the research team bypassed the NASEM expert panel and choose their own peer review panel for their third attempt.

Although the third version of the review eliminated the meta-analysis that the NASEM panel was most critical of, the other research flaws remained. In fact, a number of these additional flaws were mentioned in an editorial in the very journal that published the NTP report.

All this misinformation and

confusion resulted in a group of frightened people suing the EPA to stop community water fluoridation in America. In a letter to the EPA that was coauthored by the ADA and twelve other health organizations to advocate for continued support of water fluoridation they explained, "The report hinges on only 19 studies that rely on atypical fluoride exposure, invalid biomarkers, and insufficient sample sizes. These and other issues, including bypassing the expert peer review, raise serious concerns about the report's reliability, transparency, and adherence to established scientific standards."

There are significant reasons the ADA supports optimal community water fluoridation. According to the

World Health Organization, each individual's social determinants of health (SDOH) / nonmedical factors that influence health outcomes) must be addressed to achieve optimal health for the entire population. This includes socioeconomic status. Not everyone can afford to go to the dentist. Even though we are at a time in history when the greatest number of people are using fluoridated toothpaste, not everyone uses toothpaste, and many people do not floss and brush consistently. Access to fluoridated water continues to show a reduction in both the overall incidence of tooth decay and socioeconomic disparities in caries incidence.

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But what is raising red flags of concern throughout the healthcare industry is the way the NTP research was conducted. Not only were the studies that this report were based on conducted outside the United states, but the methodology they used varied in each country. This inconsistency was just one of the reasons the expert peer review panel from the National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine(NASEM) declared that due to "serious flaws in the conduct, analysis, and presentation," the NTP report "would not survive scientific scrutiny." After two attempts to correct these issues and get approval to publish the report

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## real estate

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### Estate Sale - rain or shine April 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> • 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 454 S. Mapes Dr., Stockton, IL

Bedroom furniture, chairs, bar stools, lamps, and outdoor furniture. Kitchen items including glassware, vintage cornflower corning ware, air fryer, electric blender, cooking and baking items. Household decorations, holiday items, bedding and towels. Miscellaneous antique items, tools, and safe.  
Severe weather date April 11<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup>

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## for sale

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# REAL ESTATE NOTICES



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## Apple River State Bank leads support of Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

For the ninth consecutive year, Apple River State Bank and First Community Bank of Galena has renewed the bank's sponsorship of the Dolly Parton Imagination Library. This transformative early childhood literacy program provides free books to children from birth to age five. With the bank's donation of \$12,500, the program continues to make a significant impact on young readers across the region. United Way of Northwest Illinois serves as the official affiliate for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library.



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## Stephenson County Association for Home and Community Education

The 101<sup>st</sup> Illinois Association for Home and Community Education (IAHCE) Annual Conference was held March 11-13, 2025, at the Thelma Keller Convention Center, Effingham, IL. The IAHCE theme for 2025 is "Make Time". This is a volunteer organization with the goal of making the community a better place for everyone. Five Stephenson County HCE members attended the three-day conference.

### • Research

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Lack of preventative care and dental treatment accounts for approximately two million hospital visits a year, not to mention the costs of lost work and school days. In addition, poor oral health affects overall health and is linked to a wide range of systemic diseases. Eighty years of sound scientific research (adhered to established scientific standards) has proven over and over again that community water fluoridation at the optimal level is a safe and effective way to prevent disease and save money. The Centers for Disease

Control and Prevention has declared Community water fluoridation as one of the top ten great public health achievements of the twentieth century. Drinking and rinsing your mouth with fluoridated water throughout the day helps strengthen your tooth's surface, making it more resistant to decay. The earlier children are exposed to fluoride, the less likely they are to develop cavities. But children are not the only ones to benefit from fluoride. Adults often experience gum recession and xerostomia (lack/reduction of saliva

and/or poor-quality saliva from systemic diseases and medications). Orthodontic patients at any age, patients with a history of cavities, patients with periodontal disease (especially those who require periodontal surgery) and patients with developmental disabilities and/or physical disabilities that limit their ability to perform daily oral hygiene can all benefit from fluoride's ability to prevent the pain and destruction of decay and the necessity of restorative treatment, which saves money for both families and our health care system.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF Stephenson - Freeport, ILLINOIS  
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff  
vs.  
JACK D. BREIT; LERISA D. LEIF; ILLINOIS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendant

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NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on April 16, 2025, at the hour 1:30 p.m., Security First Title Company, 205 West Stephenson Street, Freeport, IL 61032, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:

P.I.N. 05-20-32-127-010.  
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The real estate is: single family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act. Sale terms: At sale, the bidder must have 10% down by certified funds, balance within 24 hours, by certified funds. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STEPHENSON COUNTY - FREEPORT, ILLINOIS  
ROCKET MORTGAGE, LLC F/K/A QUICKEN LOANS, LLC F/K/A QUICKEN LOANS INC., PLAINTIFF  
vs.  
CAROLYN S. GRAHAM; VIL-LAGE OF CEDARVILLE ; DEFENDANTS  
NO. 2024FC46  
Judge Olson

Address: 140 E. Walnut Cedarville, IL 61013  
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on January 14, 2025, I, Sheriff of Stephenson County, Illinois, will on April 17, 2025 at the hour of 9:30 AM at the Stephenson County Courthouse, 15 North Galena, Freeport, IL 61032, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Stephenson, State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

COMMON ADDRESS: 140 E. Walnut, Cedarville, IL 61013  
P.I.N.: 07-14-06-102-014  
The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

THE JUDGMENT AMOUNT WAS: \$59,087.64

Sale terms: 25% down by certified funds; the balance, by certified funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "as is" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and Plaintiff makes no representations as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

Pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/15-1512, the amounts of any surplus bid will be held by the sheriff until a party obtains a Court Order for its distribution, or for 60 days following the date of the entry of the order confirming sale, at which time, in the absence of an order directing payment of the surplus, it may be automatically forfeited to the State without further notice.

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vs.  
GLORIA MENDOZA; U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION ND; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS Defendant

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# •Softball (Continued from page 9)

The Panthers are strong up the middle. They have plenty of experience in key positions on the field. With Albright at catcher, Wild at second base, and Setterstrom in center, the Panthers have three experienced seniors up the middle. Fye's talent at shortstop and multiple capable pitchers gives the Panthers some cornerstones to build around this year.

After two games played in 2025, it's clear the Panthers have a strong defense. In the season opener, Le-Win played a clean game with zero errors. In game two, the Panthers played in some tough conditions. Even then, they had just three errors, albeit some costly ones. Early on, Wild's Panthers appear to have a defense that is good enough to win, but the bats will have to develop.

The offensive approach is one thing Wild is hoping to see improve this season. "Being more aggressive at the plate and on the basepaths" is one specific area Wild mentioned

when asked about the team's needs for improvement. Wild also mentioned consistent play on defense, both things the Panther faithful saw play out in the first two games.

The Le-Win offense combined for just six runs in their first two games of the season. On March 18 the Panthers went on the road to face off with Erie-Prophetstown. They lost that game by a score of 2-4. Three days later, they played host to the Winnebago Indians in a game they lost 4-6. Although their three errors cost them against the Indians, the offense is going to have to produce more if they want to jump into the win column.

The Panthers had just three hits against Erie-Prophetstown. Two of those hits came from Dietz, who finished the day with two runs batted in. She was a bright spot in an otherwise gloomy lineup as the Panthers struggled to produce anything else. Chiles had the only other hit on the day. Chiles also pitched the

entire game, allowing three earned runs while striking out nine.

The Panthers doubled their offensive production against Winnebago, but that inconsistent defense came into play. The Panthers held a 4-0 lead after just two innings of play. Some aggressive baserunning allowed Dietz and Setterstrom to score the first runs of the game. Chiles then struck out back-to-back batters to end the top of the second, and the Panther bats went back to work in the bottom. Dietz ripped a single to right, driving in Setterstrom to score. Ayla Brinkmeier pushed things further as she scored on the throw, putting the Panthers up by four.

It was an early sign of improvement for Wild's squad. The hitters were attacking early, and the added aggression on the basepaths led to some runs. Clean defense and lights out pitching had the Panthers on pace to dominate Winnebago.

Things fell apart defensive-

ly after that. In the fourth, fifth, and sixth innings, the Panthers had errors that allowed runs to come in. Winnebago scored five unearned runs on the day, which allowed them to take a late lead over the Panthers.

Eventually, Le-Win fell by a score of 4-6. Chiles pitched five more innings, allowing six hits and one earned run, while striking out seven. Setterstrom pitched two innings, allowing two hits, zero earned runs, and one strikeout. At the plate, Brinkmeier led the way, going two for three with one run scored. Dietz was one for two with a pair of runs batted in.

"In small high schools, you have to be adaptable to the players on the roster, and we have to work very closely with the other programs in the district as many of the athletes are involved in other sports, as well as other programs in the school," Wild shared when asked to share his philosophy as a coach. For Wild, it means much more than simply wins

and losses on the field. In seven years of coaching experience, Wild has a good understanding of the impact he has as a coach. "I believe in developing the player as a whole. Not just softball skills, but helping them grow into adults along the way, preparing them for the next stage, whatever that might be. On

the field, I want us to have a fun and positive experience, while competing to the best of our abilities and playing to our strengths," Wild explained.

The Panthers will return to action on Thursday, March 27 when they travel to take on the Eastland Cougars. Le-Win returns home on March 31 to play host to Boylan Catholic.

# •Kitchen (Continued from page 11)

## Final Thoughts

I think they have managed to squeeze in some games and meets before the winter weather came back. The spring continues to march on. Don't forget the Lenten lunches at Pearl City Methodist on Wednesdays and the music at Lena Evangelical Free.

The Historical Society will present a program on the moving of the log schoolhouse on Sunday, March 30 at 2 p.m. at the museum. They will also have their annual dinner on April 24 at 6:30 p.m. at the Lena Community Center. The cost is \$40.00. The program

will be presented by Alan Wenzel on the history of Lake-Le-Aqua-Na and how it came to be in the 1950's. Tickets will be available at the museum at the March 30 meeting, Engel's Jewelry, Lena Mercantile, or Cindy's Beauty Shop. Have a great week and enjoy our warm up!

We are looking for some Easter recipes. If you find some recipes to share, you can contact us by email or by mail at From Lena's Kitchens, *The Shopper's Guide* at Rock Valley Publishing, 1102 Ann St., Delavan, WI 53115. Have a great week.

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